

The Friday Messenger

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Friday 20th October



Our curriculum themes are:

Year 1: Families

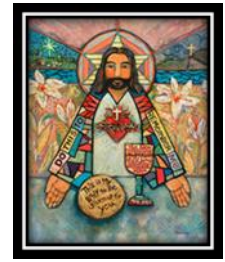
Year 2: Signs and Symbols

Year 3: Baptism

Year 4: The Bible

Year 5: Inspirational People

Year 6: Kingdom of God



<p>Year 1</p> <p>This week we started thinking about how God cares for us. We read Psalm 28 v 6-8 and found out that God hears us when we pray, He gives us strength, God takes care of us and is a good God. We thanked God for how he cares for us. We then thought about another way God shows his care and that is to place us in families. We found out there are many different families but it is in our families that God wants us to get love and care. Some children showed pictures of their family and shared how they show love and care for each other with in them.</p>	<p>Year 2</p> <p>This week we started our new topic 'signs and symbols' we enjoyed walking around school and looking for signs and symbols and discussing what they were for as well as other important symbols. We then looked at symbols that represented our religion and what they meant.</p>
<p>Year 3</p> <p>In RE Year 3 thought about the story of Jesus getting left behind at the temple. They thought how their families would feel if they behaved like Jesus and then considered how Jesus's behaviour would have changed afterwards. In addition, they learnt about how the church family includes the other members of the diocese and who the key figures in our diocese are. They prepared questions to ask Father Seelan about his job.</p>	<p>Year 4</p> <p>In our first lesson of the week in RE, Year 4 worked in pairs to discuss and record responses to key questions relating to the story of David. The questions were 'Why do you think that God chose David?' and 'What qualities do you think that the people God chose all had?' The children were able to make links between the key characters God chose to lead his people. In our second lesson this week, we explored, explained and discussed the important parts of 'The Liturgy of The Word' and how each of these is linked to the bible. Using a spider diagram, the children recorded their knowledge and understanding of how the Bible is used in Mass.</p>
<p>Year 5</p> <p>This week Year Five investigate 'The Fall' of Adam and Eve further. They listed all the times that they have misused their freedoms and ended up making the wrong choice. They then worked in pairs to discuss how this made themselves and others feel. They were then able to suggest a better choice for themselves if they were in that situation now. Year Five also enjoyed Mass this week on Thursday with Year One.</p>	<p>Year 6</p> <p>This week in RE, the focus of the lessons was on two different people who used their lives in meaningful ways by dedicating themselves to God: Thérèse of Lisieux and Carlo Acutis. The children were very successful in comparing the two and managed to draw inspiration for their own lives from the study of these important people.</p>

<p>Gospel Values</p> <p>This month's Gospel value is... Thankfulness</p>	<p>Action! Our Gospel value this month is thankfulness; we are thankful for all the gifts that God gives to us in our lives. This week in school we held our Harvest Festival services. Please see below for a prayer that can be prayed together as a family. Wishing you all a safe and restful half-term.</p>
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St Francis of Assisi, your whole life sang in harmony with God, nature and others.

With you, we praise God for Brother Sun, full of beauty and splendour, warming the earth, summoning shoots from darkness into daylight. We praise God for Sister Water, so useful and humble, precious and pure, greening arid ground, growing life in desert places.

Pray for us Francis, that, like you, we may care for all that exists, until Brother Sun and Sister Water produce a harvest shared by all, in love and solidarity, justice and peace. Amen.